

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claims 1-18 (canceled).

19. (Currently Amended) A method for standardizing nomenclatures corresponding to a medical patient, the method comprising:

- determining a first nomenclature based on a first set of medical criteria;
- determining a second nomenclature based on the first set of medical criteria; and
- designating either the first or the second nomenclature as at least part of a standard nomenclature associated with the first set of medical criteria;

recording a second set of medical criteria corresponding to the medical patient;

reviewing a list comprising a plurality of recorded standard nomenclatures;

selecting one from the list of standard nomenclatures if the list includes a most relevant standard nomenclature; and

inputting a new standard nomenclature associated with the recorded second set of medical criteria if the list does not include a most relevant standard nomenclature.

Claim 20 (canceled).

21. (Previously Presented) A method as claimed in claim 19, wherein the first nomenclature is determined by an outpatient facility and the second nomenclature is determined by an inpatient facility.

Claim 22 (canceled).

23. (Previously Presented) A method as claimed in claim 19, wherein the first set of medical criteria includes at least one or more of clinically significant medical diagnoses, medical treatments, and medical administrative matters.

Claim 24 (canceled).

25. (Currently Amended) A system used for standardizing nomenclatures corresponding to a medical patient, the system comprising:

a first storage portion operable to store first and second nomenclatures based on a first set of medical criteria;

a designation portion operable to designate either the first or the second nomenclature as at least part of a standard nomenclature associated with the first set of medical criteria;

a second storage portion operable to store a second set of medical criteria corresponding to the medical patient;

a device operable to review a list comprising a plurality of recorded standard nomenclatures, select one from the list of standard nomenclatures if the list includes a most relevant standard nomenclature and input a new standard nomenclature associated with the recorded second set of medical criteria if the list does not include a most relevant standard nomenclature.

Claim 26 (canceled).

27. (New) A computer program embodied on a computer readable medium for use with a computer and a storing device, the computer program comprising:

a first determining step for determining a first nomenclature based on a first set of medical criteria;

a second determining step for determining a second nomenclature based on the first set of medical criteria;

a designating step for designating either the first or the second nomenclature as at least part of a standard nomenclature associated with the first set of medical criteria;

a recording step for recording a second set of medical criteria corresponding to the medical patient;

a reviewing step for reviewing a list comprising a plurality of recorded standard nomenclatures;

a selecting step for selecting one from the list of standard nomenclatures if the list includes a most relevant standard nomenclature; and

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an inputting step for inputting a new standard nomenclature associated with the recorded second set of medical criteria if the list does not include a most relevant standard nomenclature.